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TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Donald L. Wolfe
Interim Director of Public Works

LINDA VISTA DEBRIS BASIN CLEANOUT CITY OF GLENDALE

Due to the recent storms, Public Works is performing a sediment cleanout at Linda Vista Debris Basin in the City of Glendale. The sediment cleanout will ensure that this debris basin has adequate storage capacity to intercept debris flow during future storms. The work is necessary to provide flood protection to the downstream improvements and ensure the health and safety of residents.

Based on a recent survey, we determined that Linda Vista Debris Basin has approximately 800 cubic yards of accumulated debris or 25 percent of its capacity. Public Works' policy is to perform sediment cleanouts when debris basins have reached 25 percent of their capacity in non-burned watersheds. Therefore, we commenced cleanout activities on December 20, 2004, and we expect to be completed by December 31, 2004. Debris is being placed at Dunsmuir Sediment Placement Site in Glendale.

Public Works is authorized to perform these activities under the permits from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Regional Water Quality Control Board. We have also notified the California Department of Fish and Game of this debris basin cleanout.

This cleanout activity is being coordinated with the City of Glendale to address community notification, traffic, and dust issues. We will notify your offices of any additional debris basin cleanouts that may be required in the future.

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The estimated cost to perform the work at Linda Vista Debris Basin is \$52,000. Sufficient funds for this work have been included in Public Works' Fiscal Year 2004-05 Budget.

If you have any additional questions, please call me, or your staff may call Brian Sasaki at (626) 458-4008.

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
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